In the specification:

Insert the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed herewith following the Drawings.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 29, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Total RNA was isolated from frozen skin samples using Trigent (Molecular Research Center Inc., Cincinnati, OH). Total RNA (30 μg)was electrophoresed in a denaturing formaldehyde-agarose gel, blotted onto Hybond N (Amersham, Amersham, UK), and fixed by ultraviolet (UV) irradiation. The membrane was incubated with 32P-labeled probes, as described below, in Rapid-hyb buffer (Amersham). To prepare probes for rat TGF-β1 and TGF-β2, their full-length coding sequences were amplified by reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction using specific forward (TGF-β1, 5'-CGGGTGGCAGGCGAGAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:1) and TGF-β2, 5'-CATGCACTACTGTGTGCT-3' (SEQ ID NO:2)) and reverse (TGF-β1, 5'-GGAATTGTTGCTATATTTCTGC-3' (SEQ ID NO:3) and TGF-β2, 5'-CCGAGGACTTTAGCTGCA-3' (SEQ ID NO:4))primers. A template set of TNF-α and GAPDH from the RNase protection assay kit (Riboquant; Pharmingen) was used to generate 32P-labeled antisense RNA probes that hybridized with the mRNA for TNF-α and GAPDH.